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Property tax about to spike

COUNCIL

**Upset residents
should talk to their
MLAs, Iveson says**



**Ryan
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Metro | Edmonton

Property owners will face a higher bill than what councillors pledged last fall, but Mayor Don Iveson said residents who are upset about it should take it up with their MLA.

The city collects property taxes, both to pay for its own services and to fund a portion of the school board's operations.

Council set a budget with a 3.4 per cent increase in December, but that was before the province decided to raise the education property tax to 8.7 per cent.

That increase means the additional cost to property owners will actually be 4.9 per cent.

Mayor Don Iveson said it's frustrating the city has to be the bearer of bad news for tax hikes they had

nothing to do with.

"It's really difficult for people to understand, so people get furious with us," he said.

Iveson said he hopes that if people are concerned about their increase, they will take it up with their MLA.

"This city council will take no responsibility whatsoever for the tax increases that flow through from the provincial government," he said.

Council was also forced to put more money into the budget because of provincial grants the NDP promised last year but pulled back in last week's budget.

Council had allocated the funds to the city's neighbourhood renewal program and hoped to freeze the levy that supports that program, but Iveson said with the grants gone that won't be the case.

"The assumptions that supported a two-year freeze on the levy probably no longer apply," he said.

Coun. Michael Oshry said he wanted to support the renewal program but said council should find another way to fund it rather than taxpayers.

"We can't keep adding and adding," he said.



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'A wonderful legacy'

NELLIE MCCLUNG

Activist's great granddaughter talks about filling big shoes



Alex Boyd
Metro | Edmonton

It's been one hundred years since women won the right to vote in Alberta, thanks to fighters like journalist and MLA Nellie McClung. Her political legacy is the stuff of history books, but her family says her personal impact was also profound.

Great granddaughter Caitlin McClung is a consultant in Toronto and former political aide who says with a big name comes big responsibility.

When did you realize your great grandmother was a big deal?

In elementary when you start to learn about Canadian history, and there she was.... It really hit me that I inherited a name and a wonderful legacy.

Favourite story?

Nellie was often criticized for taking on activities outside the home and being a working woman, and I think some women struggle with that today. At one point she was doing one of her mock parliaments, and my grandfather decided to speak up and say, 'I'm the son of a suffragette and I've never known a mother's love.'



Caitlin McClung, left, and her great grandmother Nellie McClung. CONTRIBUTED/THE CANADIAN PRESS

We still joke about it; it was pretty poignant at the time.

How did her work influence your career?

For me personally, the Nellie legacy is very much centered around social justice and public service. I tried to take a career path and a personal path where those two collide. Prior to becoming a consultant, I spent eight

years in the provincial government, so I still wave my liberal stripes, which I very much inherited from Nellie. Now I work mostly on poverty files and social justice files.

The Famous Five are sometimes criticized for their support of eugenics. Is that fair?

I think it's fair to bring it up and discuss it but I think context is



important.... Sure, put an asterisk next to Nellie's name, but a fellow by the name of Tommy Douglas also held the same views, and I don't often hear him coming up in the same breath.

Where do you think the women's rights movement needs to go now?

There was 100 years ago — and there is still — a divide in the

women's rights movement. There are divides especially along socioeconomic breakdowns, and in some ways we need to find commonality but at the same time we need to recognize those divisions ... and support the pieces that affect more marginalized women too. Feminism is changing, but some of the issues haven't changed at all.

EVACUATION

No fire ban for residents



Kevin Maimann
Metro | Edmonton

While grass and brush fires force people from their homes outside of Edmonton, a fire ban is not imminent for the city.

Deputy Fire Chief Russell Croome said Edmonton is seeing 10-15 grass fires daily, which is fairly standard for spring, although dry grass coupled with warm weather and wind are raising the risk.

Croome urges people to be careful when burning backyard fires and to not burn "yard waste" such as leaves and branches.

"The leaves are definitely prone to being picked up by the wind and floating into some dry grass," he said.

To ensure fires are properly put out, Croome recommends pouring water into the fire pit before stirring the embers with a stick, then pouring water again and waiting 15-20 minutes.

Croome said other major challenges Edmonton Fire Rescue deals with this time of year are fires started by carelessly discarded cigarette butts as well as those caused by ATVs or off-road vehicles driving through dry grass.

"That exhaust pipe can be a real culprit," he said.

Several communities near Edmonton were evacuated or put on evacuation notice Tuesday. Two firefighters were in hospital after being hurt Monday while fighting a brush fire in Lamond County, northeast of the city.

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Rachel Krumpholz, 22, is being treated at the U of A hospital's outpatient trauma clinic after a car crash left her with a broken neck and internal injuries. KEVIN TUONG/FOR METRO

Nurses lead the way at new clinic

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Outpatient trauma centre the first of its kind in Canada



Kevin
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Metro | Edmonton

Life has not been easy for Rachel Krumpholz since she was in a car crash last December, but a new Edmonton trauma clinic has made her recovery more manageable.

The 22-year-old from Fort St. John, B.C., is being treated at the University of Alberta hospital's outpatient trauma clinic, the only one in Canada that is led by nurse practitioners.

All of Krumpholz's care is facilitated by nurse Francene Fahey, who also looked after her when she spent 39 days in hospital with a broken neck,

lacerated spleen and ruptured intestine, followed by a bout of pneumonia.

"She was really welcoming in the hospital, and after the hospital I could phone her at any time and ask her questions," Krumpholz said.

"It was nice that I could ask for anything and she took me seriously and answered my questions for me. And now here she will arrange my meetings with the different doctors."

Krumpholz has to fly in to Edmonton for her visits to the

clinic — which serves patients from northern B.C., Alberta, Saskatchewan and the territories — and is able to get everything done in one day, with the same nurse overseeing her continuous improvement.

"Where we're from, we have to go get an X-ray done and we don't get it back till a week later, then we have to go see a doctor and all that," she said. "Here, it's done in literally hours, so it's really nice."

The hospital's trauma medical director, Dr. Sandy Widder, said the clinic provides multidisciplinary ongoing care for patients with specific injuries and issues that need to be dealt with by specialists — including mental health and addictions issues and PTSD.

Many patients don't have family physicians to provide that ongoing care.

"It's one-stop shopping, where we have access to all the specialists in this outpatient setting," Widder said.

“It's one-stop shopping, where we have access to all the specialists in this outpatient setting.”

Dr. Sandy Widder

POLITICS

No apology needed for PC chief to return to legislature

Alberta Progressive Conservative Leader Ric Mclver returned to the legislature Tuesday without having to apologize for the insubordination that got him kicked out in the first place.

"Yesterday was a day I hope not to repeat any time soon," Mclver told Speaker Bob Wanner prior to question period.

On Monday, Mclver was escorted out of the house by the sergeant-at-arms when Mclver refused to sit down after accusing Wanner of prejudging a decision against him.

Normally a politician has to

apologize to the Speaker to be allowed back in, but this time Wanner invited Mclver to return without it.

It began late Monday afternoon when Mclver moved a private member's motion — an effectively symbolic gesture — affirming the principle that parents have a say in where and how their children are educated.

The NDP caucus decided to introduce an amendment saying that choice should be for instances where alternatives are not available in the public system.

The two sides then argued over whether the motion should be allowed before Wanner read out his decision in favour of the NDP.

However, the reasons for Wanner's decision had already been printed almost word for word on a piece of paper before the debate had even begun.

That piece of paper was accidentally given to Mclver. He then took to his feet to accuse Wanner of prejudging the debate in favour of the NDP caucus, of which Wanner is a member. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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BUDGET

No increase for severely disabled



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Metro | Edmonton

Despite increases for several social programs in last week's provincial budget, the Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped benefit (AISH) remained flat, concerning some advocates.

The last major increase to AISH was in 2012, when it was increased \$400 to \$1,588 per month.

But some say that as the cost of living rises, that's not enough.

"It's already limited to begin with, so we get increasing risk and vulnerability the longer the government waits to increase AISH," said Bruce Uditsky, CEO of Inclusion Alberta. "Costs go up and your income won't."

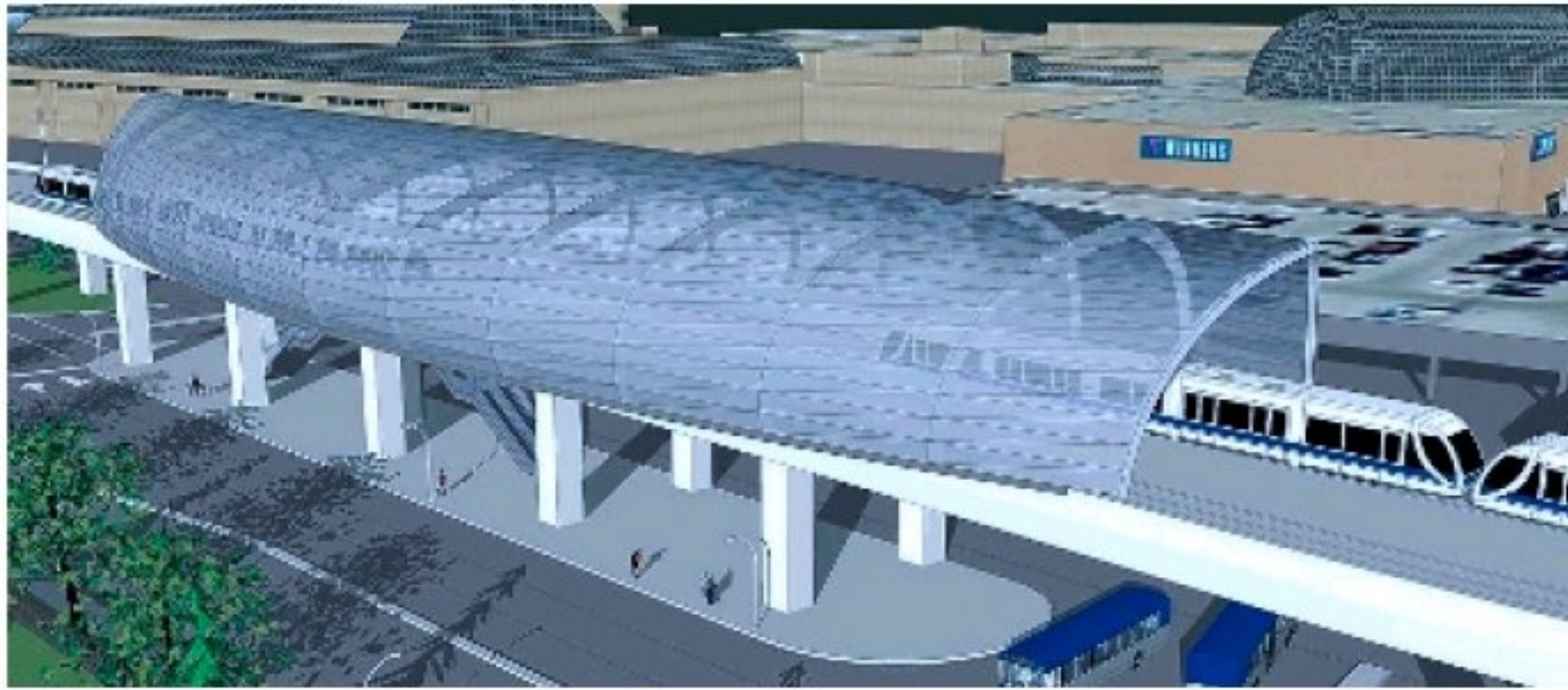
To that end, he says advocates have long asked that AISH be tied to the cost of living.

"We've asked that in every single review of AISH ... but they continue to leave people in this position, where it looks wonderful in the years you increase it but every year after your income essentially declines."

AISH provides assistance to adults with a permanent disability that limits their ability to earn a living, which as of January included almost 20,000 Edmontonians.

Aaron Manton, a spokesperson for Human Services Minister Irfan Sabir, says given the economy the province is not currently in a position to increase AISH.

"We believe that all Albertans should be able to live in a stable home and be able to put food on the table."



The western extension of the Valley Line is only at a preliminary design, but ultimately the city wants it to reach West Edmonton Mall and beyond. SUPPLIED

Valley Line LRT deal gives city flexibility

BIGGEST DEAL EVER First stage contract holder has no claim in expansion plan



Ryan Tumilty
Metro | Edmonton

The company that will build the first stage of the city's Valley Line LRT won't have any claim on building the second part.

A major concern about the

public-private partnership the city entered into for the line has been future expansion. TransEd Partners now has the contract to build and operate the line from Mill Woods to downtown, but the city ultimately hopes to extend that line from downtown to Lewis Estates in West Edmonton.

Kip Hritzuk, a commercial adviser for the city on the project, said they thought about a highly detailed approach, but ultimately decided to focus on establishing core ideas.

"You can go down a rabbit hole and start to imagine all the different permutations and combinations of expansions and you

"The concern has always been that our hands could be tied."

Coun. Andrew Knack

will exhaust yourself," he said.

The contract lays out that the city is not committed to building the western extension and that TransEd will not necessarily be the contractor. It also lays out that if the company isn't successful in a bid for the next line it has a responsibility to work

with the company that is.

"We stepped back and looked at a more principled level that allows the flexibility in our contract that accommodates all possibilities," said Hritzuk.

Coun. Andrew Knack said he's glad the city has left its options open.

"The concern has always been that our hands could be tied to exclusively using that proponent to go out west, so it's encouraging to see there are provisions in place," he said.

Knack said considering the city got strong bids for the first section of the line, it's important to protect a competitive process.

HEALTH

Service defends sick leave for nurses



Jeremy Simes
For Metro | Calgary

Alberta Health Minister Sarah Hoffman plans to follow up with the province's health authority after Freedom of Information documents show Alberta Health Services spent more than \$65 million on sick leave for members of the United Nurses of Alberta.

Obtained by the Alberta Liberal Party, the documents show long-term disability payouts for unionized Alberta nurses was \$23,395,441 in 2015, a 130 per cent spike from \$10,182,069 in 2012.

Alberta Liberal Leader David Swann slammed AHS for its work culture.

AHS said its employee sick hour rate has been at or lower than the average among western provinces, adding it's begun two programs that reduce unscheduled short-term absences and other limitations so staff stay at work. Since the program launched, AHS said unscheduled absenteeism has decreased by 2.3 per cent, or over 150,000 hours.

It said sick time expenses remain stable, though the increase in costs is related to higher hourly rates of union staff and the increased number of staff.

The data also shows the number one cause of long-term disability was mental illness, causing Swann to believe the increased sick time is due to work culture rather than employees taking advantage of the system.



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Struggles just beginning: PM

MENTAL HEALTH

Scope of issue only beginning to be realized, Trudeau warns

Canada has yet to feel the full effects of mental-health issues gripping people across the country, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau said Tuesday as he pledged support to lower levels of government in combating the problem.

"Whether we're talking about its impact on young people, its impact on workplaces around the country, whether its impact on servicemen and women, we are only beginning to realize the scale, the scope of the problem," Trudeau said as he met members of the Canadian Teachers Federation.

The prime minister said his government would work with the provinces and territories to

"I wouldn't be my mother's son if I wasn't a strong advocate for mental-health. Justin Trudeau

build the ranks of the counselors, psychiatrists and psychologists who work with people facing mental-health struggles.

"I wouldn't be my mother's son if I wasn't a strong advocate for mental-health and de-stigmatization of mental health," Trudeau said as he marked his six-month anniversary since being elected to power.

His mother, Margaret, underwent decades of treatment for bipolar disorder, recounting her personal struggles in her book, *Changing My Mind*.

The prime minister acknowledged there is no easy solution to mental-health problems, particularly in indigenous communities.

But he suggested the recent spate of suicides and attempted suicides by First Nations young

people is linked to what he described as generational neglect of indigenous issues by successive past governments.

"We know the challenges are massive," Trudeau said about correcting the disconnect between federal governments and First Nations. But there are solutions out there, he said.

"In indigenous communities where there has been the support and an ability to do language and cultural teaching to an extremely high level, suicide rates have plummeted," said Trudeau.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Carolyn Bennett on Monday visited Attawapiskat, the remote northern Ontario community that declared a state of emergency last week over a youth suicide crisis. THE CANADIAN PRESS



A girl visits a relative's grave in the northern Ontario First Nations reserve in Attawapiskat, Ont., on Tuesday. THE CANADIAN PRESS



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MONEY

Here comes the bride with a bundle of cash

Canadians spend an average of \$166 a month on gifts, excluding Christmas and other holidays, according to the results of a survey conducted by a popular online shopping site.

"I was surprised by how much Canadians are spending," said Sari Friedman, director of marketing for Ebates. ca. "Once you start adding that up, you're talking about a big chunk of change for the year."

In all, 82 per cent of survey respondents reported buying an average of two gifts a month.

After Christmas, spending on gifts by Canadians begins ramping up again about three weeks before Mother's Day, said Friedman. The increased spending continues throughout the summer in part because more people are married in the summer, creating a greater number of gifting occasions, including wedding showers and anniversaries.

To stay on track financially, Friedman recommends making a list of upcoming gift occasions and budgeting and shopping in advance where possible, to take advantage

of sales.

She also recommends interacting with brands on social media, like Facebook, to keep track of special offers.

"It's really about shopping smart for gifts, and really being prepared," said Friedman.

More than a third of survey respondents — 36 per cent — said they give better gifts than they get. Re-gifting is common, with 20 per cent admitting to re-gifting birthday gifts and 14 per cent re-gifting hostess gifts.

Re-gifting is lowest when it comes to Father's Day and Mother's Day gifts.

Respondents said they prefer cash over other gifts at a wedding, and said they tend to spend the most on birthday and anniversary gifts for their partner, Friedman said.

"They're also cited as being the hardest gifts to shop for. I think that's because there is so much emotion behind it. You care about getting them a really great gift that they are going to love. Sometimes it takes longer to find the perfect thing," said Friedman.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

BRITISH COLUMBIA

2 women positive for Zika



Thandi Fletcher
Metro | Vancouver

British Columbia health officials say two pregnant women are among seven people in the province who recently tested positive for the Zika virus, which has been linked to birth defects.

Dr. Bonnie Henry, deputy provincial health officer, could not comment on the condition of the pregnant women for privacy reasons, except to say they are being closely monitored.

"We're watching them carefully," Henry told Metro. "It's quite distressing, of course, because we just don't have all the answers yet about the Zika virus and about what might happen."

Last week, U.S. health officials confirmed there is no longer any doubt the Zika virus, which is transmitted by the Aedes mosquito, causes microcephaly, a condition in which a baby's head is far smaller than normal, along with other severe brain defects.

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Clinton, Trump cruise to easy victories in New York

Front-runners Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton swept to victory with ease in Tuesday's New York primary, with Trump bouncing back from a difficult stretch in the Republican contest and Clinton pushing closer to locking up the Democratic nomination.

Trump's victory was a psychological boost for his campaign, and Clinton's triumph padded her delegate lead over rival Bernie Sanders, depriving him of a crucial opportunity to narrow the margin.

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Coverup of mass abuse of 'vagrants'

SOUTH KOREA

Kids, disabled and homeless forcibly detained in '70s and '80s

Three decades ago, a policeman tortured Choi Seung-woo over a piece of bread he found in the boy's schoolbag.

After being stripped and having a cigarette lighter repeatedly sparked near his genitals, the 14-year-old falsely confessed to stealing the bread. Two men with clubs came and dragged him off to the Brothers Home, a mountainside institution where some of the worst human-rights

atrocities in modern South Korean history took place.

Even now, Choi weeps as he speaks of what happened there.

A guard in Choi's dormitory raped him that night in 1982, and the next, and the next. So began five hellish years of slave labour and near-daily assaults.

Choi was one of thousands — the homeless, the drunk, the unlucky, but mostly children and the disabled — who were forced into facilities for so-called vagrants in the 1970s and '80s. The roundup came as the ruling dictators prepared to bid for and host the 1988 Seoul Olympics, which they saw as international validation of South Korea's arrival as a modern country. So they



Child inmates line up for morning assembly in Busan, South Korea. YONHAP/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ordered police and local officials to "purify" the streets.

Today, nobody has been held accountable for the hundreds

of deaths, rapes and beatings on the grounds of Brothers, the largest of dozens of facilities for those considered un-

desirable, according to an Associated Press investigation. The AP found that abuse at Brothers, previously almost unknown, was much more vicious and widespread than had been realized.

Secrecy around Brothers persists because of a coverup at the highest levels. Two early attempts to investigate were suppressed by senior officials who went on to thrive in high-profile jobs; one remains a senior adviser to the current ruling party. The few former inmates speaking out want a new investigation. The government is blocking an opposition lawmaker's push to revisit the case, contending that the evidence is too old. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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ROSEMARY WESTWOOD **ON BLACK LIVES MATTER**

HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT

Canadian chapters of Black Lives Matter have, through recent protest actions, achieved substantive victories, but have so far failed to attract the kind of broad mainstream media attention given to the U.S. movement, in cities like Ferguson and Baltimore. **Are we unwilling to face homegrown racism?**

In late March, before spring had sprung, Black Lives Matter protesters camped for two weeks in icy, wet weather outside Toronto Police Headquarters.

Not that you likely heard much about it. If you live outside Toronto, you probably had no clue. Torontonians might have heard some details, but coverage wasn't exactly overwhelming. It certainly wasn't national news.

Which is odd. Dozens of black-rights protesters occupied 24/7 the entrance to the largest municipal police force in this country — in sub-zero weather. They held speeches and cookouts and pressed forward a manifesto and demands. They were spurred by the police shooting of a black man, Andrew Loku, who was unarmed save for a hammer and whose death was investigated in relative secrecy.

It sounds a lot like the ingredients of a Black Lives Matters protest in the U.S., and maybe if it was, you might have heard about it.

Especially, you would think, after Toronto protesters got results: There will be a coroner's inquest into Loku's death; Toronto City Hall has unanimously supported a provincial review of the Special Investigations Unit, which investigates police misconduct; Premier Kathleen Wynne and her cabinet have agreed to work with protestors to "implement meaningful change."

But I asked friends across the country, and almost none — not even those who work in media — knew about the movement. In the age of Black Lives Matter in the U.S., arguably one of the defining

Canadians appear to care more about anti-black racism in the U.S. — and take it more seriously — than in our own country.



Left: Pascale Diverlus gestures at a Black Lives Matter rally in Toronto in March. Right: A sign hangs in front of the protest site, in front of Toronto Police Headquarters. STEVE RUSSELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE; VINCE TALOTTA/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE



voices of our time, the big question is: why?

Maybe the Toronto-headquartered national media were simply afraid of Toronto-centrism (we always are). But I also think Canadians appear to care more about anti-black racism in the U.S. — and take it more seriously — than in our own country.

It's a phenomenon Anthony Morgan, a civil rights lawyer in Toronto, has dubbed "Canadian racial exceptionalism." In a column written last summer, he described how we consider ourselves both too polite and nice to be racist, and too polite and nice to talk about it. That means, when someone protests anti-black racism, the common reaction is confusion, or irritation, or perhaps a shrug.

"We in Canada grow comfortable by scapegoating the United States and their narrative, and saying, 'Well, at least it's not as bad,'" Morgan told me. Having avoided the depth and scope of American

Jim Crow, we imagine ourselves innocent.

Canadians consider this a post-racial country, agreed Rodney Diverlus, a co-founder of Black Lives Matter TO. "What that means is we've missed out on the opportunity to have national conversations about anti-black racism while it's still happening here," he said.

Of course, some people outside Toronto did hear about the protest, and they set up solidarity movements in Ottawa, Montreal and Vancouver. One of the seven young women organizers in Vancouver, Holly Bishu, said that if you want to know about racism in this country, just ask someone of colour; you'll hear that "it's not post-racial at all."

"I've experienced so many things growing up here that I didn't even realize were so harmful until I got old enough to be like, 'Oh my goodness, let me examine these,' and it was a lot of anti-blackness," she said.

Some specifics, should you need them: Black Canadians were the fastest growing population of federal inmates in a 2016 report, despite being only about three per cent of the population. They're three times more likely to be carded by police than whites in Toronto and are overrepresented among kids in care. Last month, the United Nations criticized Canada's record on child welfare, health, education and unemployment when it comes to its black citizens.

Meanwhile, a Forum Research poll of Torontonians, released last week, found only half of Torontonians agreed there is systemic racism in the city.

It took about a week for Toronto's mainstream media coverage of the protest to really pick up. Reporters were keen to cover a police clash with protesters, a contentious tweet from an organizer, and the movement's protest outside the house of Ontario Premier Kathleen

Wynne. Diverlus, who was tasked with media relations, said interest was largely confined to stories about tension between the protest and other groups, with the systemic-racism angle getting short shrift. Some stories, for example, didn't mention Andrew Loku's name at all.

For someone writing about this, right now, you'd think I would have known better. You'd think I would have at least gone to the protest. Or

written about it sooner. I did not.

I'm not an example of what should be done, but I am a curious participant. I finally sensed, by the end of the second week of the protest, that I had missed something fairly big, and fairly obvious. Morgan calls this the need for reconciliation, between the Canada we think we are, and the Canada we really are. Which is to say: One that needs to wake up.

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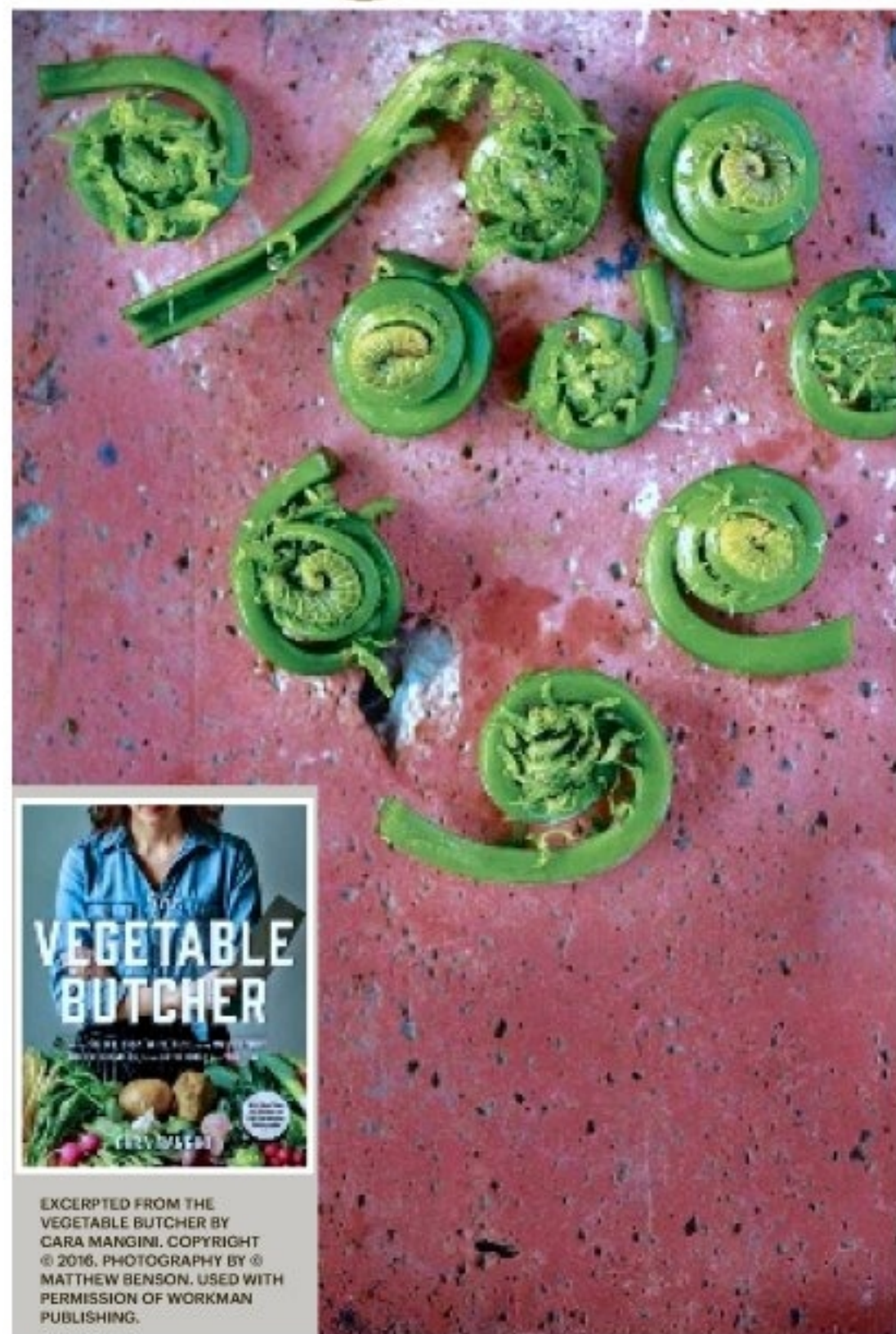


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RECIPE

Celebrate spring's arrival with fiddleheads

To Clean and Prep Fiddleheads:

1. Immerse fiddlehead ferns in a bowl of cool water and use your fingers to rub off the brown papery scales that cover the coils.
2. Gently unfurl the fern, if needed, to remove any scales stuck between the coils. Rinse the ferns under cold water in a colander and drain them.
3. Immerse the fiddleheads again in a bowl of cool water if needed, agitating them to release any remaining film. Rinse them again and drain.
4. Wrap the ferns in a clean, dry dish towel.
5. Gently shake the bundle back and forth to remove any remaining scales.
6. Trim the woody stem ends of the fiddleheads with a paring knife.

Orange-Shallot Fiddlehead Ferns and Ricotta Crostini

Makes 14 to 16 crostini

Whisk together 3 tablespoons freshly squeezed orange juice, ½ teaspoon freshly grated orange zest, 2 tablespoons white wine vinegar or champagne vinegar, 2 teaspoons pure maple syrup, 2 teaspoons minced shallots, ½ teaspoon salt, and ¼ teaspoon freshly

ground black pepper in a medium-size bowl. Slowly stream in 4 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil, whisking to combine. Add 1 teaspoon finely chopped fresh chives and ½ pound fiddlehead ferns, cleaned, trimmed, boiled until just tender, shocked in an ice bath, and drained, and toss to coat.

Divide ¾ cup whole-milk ricotta cheese among 14 to 16 small crostini, spreading it on each. Lift 2 to 3 of the fiddlehead ferns from the bowl with a slotted spoon and place on top of each crostini. Lightly drizzle with some of the vinaigrette and top with a pinch of chopped chives.

PREP

To boil fiddleheads

This is a necessary step to eliminate any bitterness in the ferns. Once they are boiled, you can use them as is or toss them into a sauté, risotto, or pasta (add at the last minute). Drop the fiddleheads in a large pot of salted boiling water and cook until they are bright green and just tender, 3 to 5 minutes depending on size and thickness. Lift them with a spider and transfer them to an ice-water bath to cool. Drain them well and transfer them to a dish towel to dry.



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A whimsical look at the mundane

Japanese artist Tatsuya Tanaka has been creating tiny scenes every day for five years. He takes a picture of each display to create a Miniature Calendar gallery online. "Broccoli and parsley might sometimes look like a forest, or the tree leaves floating on the surface of the water might sometimes look like little boats," he writes. "Everyone must have had similar thoughts at least once." **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE; ALL PHOTOS COURTESY OF TATSUYA TANAKA**

DEEP AND DELICIOUS

A dessert makes for a handy "Cave" in this scene from Nov 21, 2014.



VEGGIES WITH A VIEW

This July, 11, 2015, scene validates thoughts broccoli looks like trees.



BEST SERVED COLD

A new definition for ice cold beer comes in this Sept. 12, 2015 shot.



SCALING MT. SLICE

Two tiny alpinists tackle a sandwich peak on Feb. 11, 2016.



POP, POP AND AWAY

We have "Lift off" on February 29, 2016.



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Go "Sirloin surfing" on March 15, 2016.



JOHANNA SCHNELLER
WHAT I'M WATCHING

Female agent brings humanity to drama



Olivia Colman plays Angela Burr on *The Night Manager*. **AMC**

THE SHOW: *The Night Manager*, Season 1, Episode 4 (**AMC**)
THE MOMENT: The sports day speech

British intelligence agent Angela Burr (the magnificent Olivia Colman) and her younger colleague Grace (Simona Brown) are working late, tracking Richard Roper (Hugh Laurie), an arms trafficker. "Shouldn't you go home?" Grace asks.

"My husband knows why I do this," Angela replies. "He knows about the school sports day."

Calmly, simply, Angela tells Grace the story: In Baghdad in 2003, two shells fell on a school playing field. One was mustard gas, which burnt the hands and faces of the children. (Here Angela begins to cry, but she carries on.) The other was sarin gas, which destroyed their lungs. Roper, who was there, began selling sarin after that.

"Roper saw what I saw, and he thought, Business," Angela concludes. "So Mr. Burr knows I have to be here."

Whoa. This miniseries, based on John LeCarre's novel, spends the bulk of its time with posh, blue-eyed men — Roper, his faithful henchman Corky (Tom Hollander); and his nemesis Jonathan, a newly recruited spy (Tom Hiddleston). They're forever jetting from Mallorca to Egypt, eyeballing one another coolly, and saying things like, "I think one is becoming a tad deranged." It's intelligent, amoral and deeply unsettling.

So the counterweight Angela provides is crucial. In the novel, her character was a man. To switch it to a woman, and to cast Colman, was genius. She's every bit as intelligent and fierce as her foes, but we need her heart and humanity to remind us that Roper's mansions and islands, his yachts and champagnes, come at an unfathomable cost.

Johanna Schneller is a media connoisseur who zeroes in on pop-culture moments. She appears Monday through Thursday.

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RECIPE

Try this new twist on a traditional slaw

Do you love all kinds of coleslaw, or just "slaw" as many people call it? Do you even like the sometimes mediocre, very creamy slaw served in those little paper cups alongside a sandwich at the deli or diner?

Maybe you like to change up the notion of slaw, too, from the traditional all-American mayo-based types to this version, which is based on the salads we get when we go to Japanese restaurants. Maybe you crave that ginger-miso dressing tossed with shredded crunchy vegetables.

Kohlrabi is a great place to start. It is a member of the cruciferous vegetable family. They are about the size of an orange, with a bunch of stems sticking out and a thick skin that can range from pale green to purple-ish. The leaves, stems and root are all edible, and the smaller ones tend to be more tender and flavourful.

Carrot, Cabbage and Kohlrabi Slaw with Miso Dressing

Start to finish: 15 minutes

Servings: 6

Ingredients

- 1 tablespoon grated fresh ginger
- 1 shallot, chopped
- 2 tablespoons yellow or white miso
- 2 tablespoons vegetable or canola oil
- 2 tablespoons rice vinegar
- 1 tablespoon soy sauce
- 1 teaspoon toasted sesame oil
- 2 cups finely shredded green or red cabbage
- 6 large carrots, peeled and shredded or cut into very thin matchsticks
- 1 kohlrabi, jicama or celeriac (or a combination) peeled and



Kohlrabi brings a great crunch and slightly spicy flavour to this slaw. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

shredded or cut into very thin matchsticks
• Toasted sesame seeds to garnish (optional)

Directions

1. In a small bowl, whisk together the ginger, shallot, miso, oil, vinegar, soy sauce and sesame oil.

2. In a large serving bowl, combine the cabbage, carrots and kohlrabi.

3. Drizzle about three-quarters of the dressing over the slaw, then toss well. Taste and adjust with additional dressing as desired.

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Half coupe, half hatchback, all fun



REVIEW

Unique details add up to one distinctive ride

Mike Goetz
For Metro Canada



The Hyundai Veloster debuted back in 2011. So five years of me looking and pondering its unique exterior style and shape, which marries sport coupe and hatchback themes, and I still can't decide whether I like it or not.

Some days it seems fresh and menacing. Other days it seems too thick and chunky, especially in profile.

But for 2016, Hyundai sought fit to introduce a new Rally Edition, featuring a stunning blue matte paint job, trick wheels, (faux) carbon fibre detailing around the grille, and a slightly lower stance (with commensurate suspension tuning), and it tipped the scales for me. I am now fully 51 per cent in favour of Veloster's distinctive appearance.

It seems like the Rally Edition was created to give people another way to access the two main drawing cards of the Veloster's charismatic turbo model — the 201-horsepower turbo motor and the aggressive grounds-effect package looks. Both pieces dramatically alter the Veloster's personality for the better. A Veloster without them, like the base model, is a Veloster with less purpose in life.

Rally Edition and Turbo are ac-

tually equally priced at \$27,199. Turbo gives you navigation and a panoramic sunroof. Rally Edition has neither, but makes up for it with all the Rally Edition visual and suspension tweaks, and a specific Rally Edition interior. That interior is edgy and full of contrasts, with some metal-like surfaces and seat inserts rendered in the same shade as the exterior. Very cool and inviting.

All Rally Edition models, like our tester, are fitted with a six-speed manual transmission hooked up to a "B&M Racing Sport Shifter." As advertised, shift throws are short, but also direct and with good mechanical heft.

The steering also has the necessary heft and feel to make cornering a satisfying experience.

The tire and suspension tweaks have definitely upgraded the handling. But those aggressive 18-inch wheels and tires make this Veloster a bit stiff for everyday driving.

And while 201 horsepower is an awfully good number for a 1.6-litre turbo, and you will enjoy its thump, it doesn't make the vehicle jump, as say something like the 197-horsepower Ford Fiesta ST. The Hyundai doesn't handle as well as the Ford either. But that's not to say it isn't fun.

Like all Velosters, Rally Edition features a third door on the passenger side, so your rear seat passengers can get in without yoga — and it's surprisingly roomy back there for a small coupe.

Overall, the Veloster Rally Edition is distinctive and fun, with many fine details, to keep you engaged and contented on city commutes, and on romps you take for the sheer joy of it.

THE CHECKLIST | 2016 HYUNDAI VELOSTER

THE BASICS

- **Type.** Three-door, four-passenger, FWD, compact sports coupe/hatchback
- **Power.** 138-hp 1.6-litre I4, 201-hp 1.6-litre turbo I4
- **Transmission.** Six-speed manual, Six-speed automatic, Seven-speed automatic
- **Price.** Base \$18,599 (plus destination)

COOL FEATURES

- Rally Edition's RAYS wheels are five pounds lighter (each) than regular wheels.
- Turbo models available with new seven-speed "dual clutch" automatic with paddle shifters.



VELOSTER PHOTOS MIKE GOETZ/FOR METRO; OTHERS HANDOUT

POINTS

- "Third door" is a small one, and on the passenger side.
- Base "non turbo" engine not very sporty.
- New limited-edition Rally Edition for 2016 only available in a special Matte Blue paint.

MARKET POSITION

- Satisfying sporty coupe for those that don't need the full-on extreme sports experience.
- Targeted at a younger crowd, but mature crowd seems to like them too.

THE COMPETITION



Ford Fiesta ST
Base price: \$25,649



Honda CR-Z
Base price: \$26,290



Scion tC
Base price: \$22,385

DREAM CARS

Aston Martin takes it to the extreme

British luxury sportscar maker Aston Martin has taken the wraps off the Vantage GT8, a limited-edition version of its standard Vantage that the company claims is as close to a road-going racing car as the law allows.

Just 150 examples are being built, and the first deliveries won't start until the end of the year. But those with the money and the patience will get a GT car infused with a host of features and systems developed through Aston Martin's endurance racing programme.

The Vantage GT8 is 100 kilograms lighter and its 4.7-litre naturally aspirated V8 has been tuned to deliver 440bhp and that power can be sent to the rear wheels via a proper manual gearbox, if the owner so desires. Otherwise, there's a paddle-shift automatic transmission in the options list.

Director of Special Projects and Motorsport, David King said: "We long held the desire to create a road car that truly reflects our racing activity at Le Mans. With the Vantage GT8, we've finally been able

to achieve that."

Though based on the standard two-seat GT car, no one will be in any doubt that the GT8 is something special. Festooned with carbon fiber aerodynamic aids, it has an extended front splitter, fixed rear wing and protruding sills finished in a choice of luminous contrasting colours.

But that's just the start, depending on how often a potential owner intends to take the car to the track. Glass interior switches can be swapped for plastic, the roof can be specified in car-

bon fiber and the side and rear windows swapped for polycarbonate to save even more weight and therefore unleash even more performance.

"Road cars are our business, but racing is the beating heart of Aston Martin," said company CEO Dr Andy Palmer.

"Beautifully engineered and set-up to be equally at home on a fabulous road or a demanding race track, the Vantage GT8 is a driver's car in the truest sense of the word." AFP



The Aston Martin Vantage GT8 (right) and the car that inspired it, the Aston Martin V8 Vantage GTE race car.

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BMW i3 hatchback: Calm amid chaos



+ POWER

French roads to be covered in solar cells

France will "pave" about 995 kilometres of roads with solar cells over the next five years to produce enough power for about five million peoples' homes, about eight per cent of its population. Ecology and energy minister Ségolène Royal said funding has already been set aside and panel testing begins this spring.



CHICAGO AUTO SHOW

Niro brings new chassis

Kia focused on its "Green Car Roadmap" at the recent Chicago Auto Show, displaying hybrid and plug-in vehicles, including its much-anticipated production version of the 2017 Niro compact tall wagon. Based on an all-new eco-car platform that the automaker plans to use as its electrified vehicle base going forward, Kia says its goal is to use the platform to triple its electrified lineup by 2020. The Niro's equally all-new gasoline-electric hybrid powertrain showcases the direction Kia is taking with electrification. The new platform is engineered to offer lighter weight and greater strength.

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Best seller represents 'revolution'

The most energy efficient car sold in the United States for the third consecutive year represents "something of a revolution" for the whole auto industry. The 2016 BMW i3 hatchback has advanced technology in

spades, a body structure made of carbon-fibre-reinforced plastic and a fully electric powertrain that can be ordered with an optional two-cylinder range-extending gasoline engine, reports auto info website, The Car Connection. Meant to provide quiet, all-electric transport for those living in congested urban centres, the BMW i3 "is absolutely the most calming, soothing vehicle we've driven in truly chaotic rush-hour traffic."



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HONDA

Odyssey minivan goes hybrid, in Japan

Fiat Chrysler Automobiles' newly unveiled Chrysler Pacifica Hybrid minivan won't be the world's first when it goes on sale late this year. A new Honda Odyssey Hybrid minivan went on sale in Japan in early February, using the same Intelligent Multi-Mode Drive (i-MMD) system as in the Accord Hybrid. The Japan-market Odyssey varies significantly from, and is smaller than the model sold in North America, and there's "no chance" it will be sold here, according to alternative-vehicle webmag, Green Car Reports. But, "if nothing else, a minivan with the two-motor hybrid system would be a good rival" for the Pacifica.

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VOLKSWAGEN

Budd-e will see production

Volkswagen's Budd-E Microbus-related concept will be in showrooms, likely within five years, a VW official has told British magazine, Car. Volkmar Tannenberger, head of electronic development said a car that "looks a lot like this (will) reach production. I can't say exactly when, but by 2020 or thereabouts." The company has made no secret about wanting to put the Budd-e concept's new Modular Electric platform to wide use.





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DRIVING SAFETY

How to navigate pothole season this spring

Michelle Williams

Spring is finally here. Yet for drivers in Canada, the warmer weather comes with a downside: those pesky potholes. They're all over our biggest and most travelled roads and they number in the thousands in the city every year. While municipalities do their best to fill potholes before they become a hazard, it can be difficult to keep up this time of year.

It starts with a crack

Why do we have potholes in the first place? "All roads have cracks," says Randy Loyk, technical services manager for the Alberta Motor Association. "During the day, when the sun is out and temperatures rise higher, snow melts and water seeps into those cracks. At night, when the water freezes and expands, the asphalt lifts. And when cars drive over the road, the asphalt breaks up. The cycle continues and small holes get larger and larger." According to Loyk, once a hole gets to be around an inch deep, it poses a problem for vehicles.

Our tires take the initial

impact, but they aren't the only thing that can be damaged by potholes. "Rims can be bent, broken or damaged, you can end up with alignment issues, front end or frame damage," says Loyk. "Over time, you can also end up with damage to the suspension or the shocks."

Watch closely

No surprise, Loyk says the best thing you can do as a driver is to avoid potholes. "Make sure your headlights are clean and watch the road closely, day and night. An especially deep pothole will generally have water in it, so approach them slowly."

Loyk says not to make any quick moves or swerves in traffic, which could cause a collision. Just slow down or carefully try to steer out of the way.

"You might just graze the side of the pothole, which may be less damaging. It's a

sudden drop and lift of the tire and rim that can potentially cause more harm."

Another way to avoid pothole damage is to ensure you maintain proper air pressure in your tires.

"A tire that's underinflated will have a tendency to cause more damage to your vehicle. If tires are properly inflated, it will take some of the compression load," he says.

How to spot damage

What if you do hit a pothole? "Pay attention to how your car is driving to determine if there's any damage," Loyk says. "If the tires seem okay, check the steering. If the car starts pulling to the left or right, this could be the alignment."

Look at the tires for bulges, bruises or tears in the sidewalls and look at the rims for dents. If you suspect anything is wrong with the vehicle, take it to a licensed mechanic.

+ HOW TO REPORT A POTHOLE



If you do see a pothole this season, don't just drive by and forget about it. Alert the city by calling 311, which is open 24/7. They will come look at the hole and fix it right away if needed.



Deep potholes may be filled with water, so approach them with caution. iStock



Take photos of the pothole and the damage to your vehicle before filing a claim with the city. iStock

CAR REPAIRS

Should you file a claim for pothole damage?

Often, damage from a pothole won't be substantial or expensive enough to warrant a claim.

"Your deductible may be more than the cost of the repair," says Randy Loyk, technical services manager for the Alberta Motor Association.

Here are the steps you should take if you have pothole damage:

1. If you can prove damage to your car from the pothole (take pictures of the pothole and your car), start by seeing if the city will cover the cost of the repair. Contact the city to see where you can obtain and submit a damage claim for hitting a pothole.

2. If you need to approach your insurance carrier, remember that for something

small like a tire replacement, rim repair or realignment, your deductible may be more than the repair. Filing a claim could affect your insurance rates, so consider paying for these repairs out of pocket.

3. For substantial car damage that the city won't cover all or part of, talk to your insurance carrier.

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The Warriors said nothing of concern came up in Stephen Curry's MRI on his ankle, but he remains questionable for Game 3 vs. the Rockets

'THANKS FOR THE CHEESE'

McGregor pulled from UFC 200 after retirement tweet

Conor McGregor has delivered a haymaker on social media. McGregor created a stir Tuesday when he tweeted that retirement was on the horizon and the UFC later tweeted that McGregor had been pulled from UFC 200 on July 9.

The 27-year-old McGregor tweeted, "I have decided to retire young. Thanks for the cheese. Catch ya's later."

But is it truly exit octagon cage left for the Irish star?

UFC president Dana White told ESPN he pulled McGregor from the main event of UFC 200 and a scheduled rematch with Nate Diaz after McGregor decided not to attend pre-fight promotional appearances in Las Vegas.

"Is Conor McGregor retiring? Only he can answer that question," White told ESPN. "I don't know. But he will not be a part of UFC 200."

Diaz playfully replied to the tweet with his own "retirement" announcement. He tweeted, "I guess my work here is done I'm retiring too."

McGregor's coach added fuel to the retirement speculation with his own tweet that said, "Well was fun while it lasted."

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Bolts pin Red Wings' backs against the wall

NHL PLAYOFFS

Tampa takes commanding lead on Palat's game-winner

Ondrej Palat scored with 2:59 left in the third period, lifting the Tampa Bay Lightning to a 3-2 win over the Detroit Red Wings on Tuesday night and a 3-1 lead in the first-round series.

Game 5 is Thursday night at Tampa Bay.

Ben Bishop stopped 26 shots for the Lightning and Petr Mrazek made 30 saves for the Red Wings.

Palat was in a perfect position right in front of the net to make the most of Jonathan Drouin's pass on the game-winning goal. Drouin had three assists.

Nikita Kucherov had power-play goals in the first and second period to give Tampa Bay a 2-0 lead late in the second, but Detroit's Darren Helm and Gustav Nyquist scored late in the period to tie the game.



Red Wings goalie Petr Mrazek makes a save on Lightning centre Alex Killorn on Tuesday. PAUL SANCYA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Lightning struck first by scoring at 5:41 of the first on a power play and scored again midway through the second period with an extra skater, a rare sight earlier in the series.

And, it was a beautifully setup goal.

Brian Boyle won a faceoff, sending the puck back to Victor Hedman and he skated to-

ward the front of the net. Hedman carried the puck from left to right and passed it back to where he was standing to Drouin, who pushed the puck through the left circle to Tyler Johnson, whose diagonal pass back to the right dot perfectly set up Kucherov for a one-timer nine seconds into the power play.

GAME 4 In Detroit



Tampa Bay took advantage of another power play when Jonathan Ericsson failed to clear the puck, keeping the puck in his team's end and it ended up in the back of the net on Kucherov's shot from the slot off a slick, centring pass from Drouin.

The defending Eastern Conference champions scored three times on the power play. And, they prevented Detroit from scoring on the man advantage.

Over the first three games of the series, the Lightning were 1-for-14 on the power play and Detroit was 1-for-17 with at least one extra skater.

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NHL PLAYOFFS

Pens reclaim series lead in Big Apple

Matt Cullen beat Henrik Lundqvist on a semi-breakaway after beating two defence-men early in the third period and the Pittsburgh Penguins spoiled the return of Rangers captain Ryan McDonagh with a 3-1 win in Game 3 of their first-round series on Tuesday night.

Sidney Crosby also scored and Matt Murray made 16 saves in his return to action in helping the Penguins take a 2-1 lead in the best-of-seven series.

Game 4 is Thursday night in New York.

The Rangers have lost four consecutive playoff games at Madison Square Garden going back to last season's

GAME 3 In New York



Eastern Conference final against Tampa Bay.

Kris Letang iced the game with an empty-net goal.

Rick Nash scored for the Rangers, who played without an injured McDonagh (upper body, hand) in the first two games in Pittsburgh.

Lundqvist made 28 saves, giving up a power-play goal to Crosby and a 1-on-1 chance to Cullen. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

COURT

Manziel attack case goes to grand jury

A Dallas grand jury is scheduled to consider this week whether to charge troubled NFL quarterback Johnny Manziel with attacking his ex-girlfriend in a January incident.

Police originally presented a misdemeanor assault case to prosecutors. That charge carries a maximum punishment of one year in jail and a \$4,000 fine.

Manziel, a former Cleveland Browns quarterback and Heisman Trophy winner at Texas A&M, is accused of hitting his ex-girlfriend Colleen Crowley so hard that she temporarily



Johnny Manziel GETTY IMAGES

lost hearing in one ear.

Crowley requested and was granted a protective order against the 23-year-old quarterback that prevents him from seeing her for two years.

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IN BRIEF

'Toon duo off to perfect start

Canada remained unbeaten at the world mixed doubles curling championship on Tuesday by clobbering Serbia 14-0 in Karlstad, Sweden.

The Saskatoon duo of Dustin Kalthoff and Marliese Kasner improved to 4-0 with the win over Dara Gravara Stojanovic and Filip Stojanovic.

Canada scored five points in the first end and the game was called after six. Kasner threw at an 88 per cent clip, just ahead of Kalthoff at 83.

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Hawks take advantage of Celtics' poor first quarter

The Hawks held the Boston Celtics to the lowest-scoring first quarter in the playoffs since the NBA went to the shot clock, building a 21-point lead and holding on despite an ugly shooting performance of their own for an 89-72 victory Tuesday night, giving Atlanta a 2-0 lead in the opening-round series.

Al Horford and Kyle Korver led Atlanta with 17 points apiece, but this game was essentially decided in the first 12 minutes. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

RECIPE Chicken and Butternut Squash Risotto



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Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada

While spring continues to play its game of here today gone tomorrow, it's good to have a couple of comfort recipes up your sleeve.

Ready in

Prep time: 10 mins
Cook time: 30 mins

Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 onion, finely chopped
- 2 chicken breasts, sliced into bite-size pieces
- 2 cups risotto
- 2 1/2 cups cubed butternut squash
- 6 cups chicken broth
- 4 sage leaves, chopped
- 1 cup of fresh, shaved parmesan cheese

Directions

1. Place oil in a large pot over

medium heat and add onion and chicken. Cook until chicken is lightly browned on all sides and onion is translucent.

2. Add the rice to pan and keep stirring as it gently begins to fry. It should turn translucent after about a minute. Add sage leaves, squash and 1 cup of chicken stock and allow it to simmer while you continue stirring. As stock is absorbed, add another cup. Stir. Stir. Continue adding stock until it has all been absorbed, while constantly stirring.

3. Taste the rice to be certain it is cooked. You can add warm water if you need a bit more liquid.

4. Take the pot off the heat and mix in Parmesan cheese. Cover and allow to sit for 2 minutes. Serve immediately.

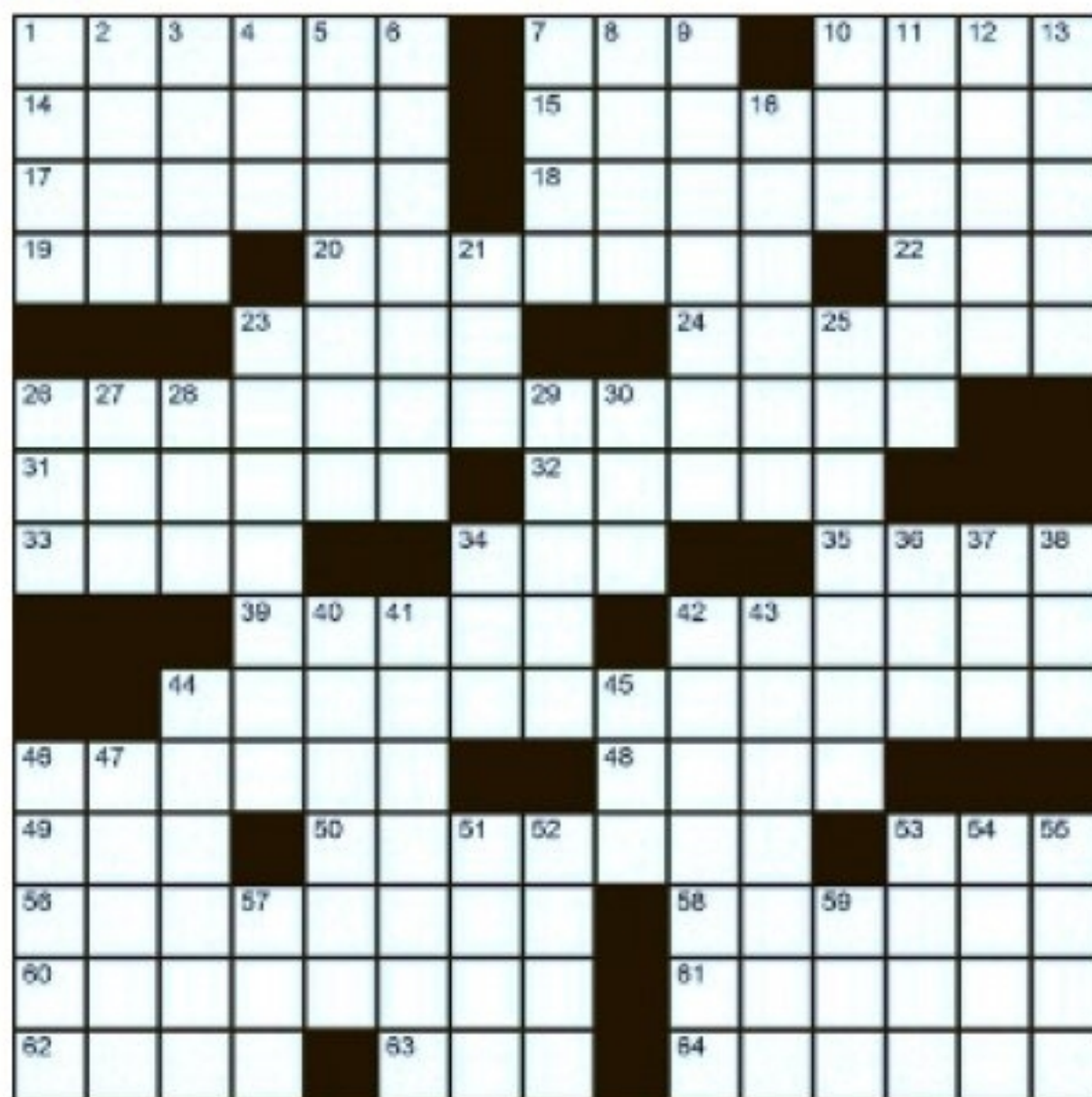
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CROSSWORD Canada Across and Down

BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN

ACROSS

1. Tranquil
7. U-571, e.g.
10. "Yes, _!"
14. Change the building's front or the doors on the kitchen cupboards
15. The correct way
17. Brief bit of a minute: 2 wds.
18. Someone from Charlottetown's province
19. Fido's father?
20. Vulture's meal
22. Marion _ (Pioneering female aviator of Canada, b.1918 - d.1995)
23. Heal
24. Fireplace section
26. Works at solving techie problems
31. Prefix to 'scopic' (Like the 3D photography technique)
32. Art gallery crime
33. Chipper
34. Archery wood
35. Dutch cheese
39. Sailor's status: 2 wds.
42. Sushi condiment
44. Toronto rapper Drake's new album due next week: 3 wds. + number
46. 19th-century English writer Emily
48. Politicians' votes
49. Former mil. General's abbr.
50. Most embar-



53. Shakespear-ean suffix
56. Job for comedian Lily Tomlin's Ernestine character
58. Hors d' _ (Appetizer)
60. _ lamp (Rustic light source)

61. Sculptures/paintings attraction
62. Additional
63. NYC's 'N'
64. Clears

DOWN

1. Theatrical accessory
2. Ms. Horne
3. " _ _ Good Men" (1992)
4. ' _ ' in Cornwall
5. One-of-some in the drink to make it cold: 2 wds.

6. Vancouver-born actress Yvonne of '60s comedy "The Munsters": 2 wds.
7. Cleanser brand, _ and Span
8. Mr. Major the Space Bear
9. Historic theatre in Russia

10. Fellows
11. Zeals [var. sp.]
12. _ Bay, British Columbia
13. Frankincense's festive friend
16. Promenades
21. Riddle-me- _
23. Drape
25. Substantiates
26. Baking meas.
27. Pathway, for short
28. "The Star-Spangled Banner" contraction
29. Bundle
30. Shape, axe-style
34. "Of course."
36. "Lah-di- _!"
37. Pres. Lincoln
38. British spy agency (NOTE: Answer has a number in it)
40. Bright fishies in aquariums
41. _ the deal (Add incentives)
42. So so sad
43. Non-professional athlete
44. Ballot checkmark-makers
45. Deli loaf
46. In need of money
47. Fight off the flies
51. Cooked
52. Mr. Lachey (Nick's younger brother)
53. All Hallows, and others
54. Honest
55. Skirt lines
57. Pre-fish fish
59. G7 member

★ IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
Your focus will turn to money, cash flow and earnings for the next four weeks. Value your moneymaking ideas, because they will be good.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
For the next four weeks, the Sun is in your sign, recharging your batteries for the rest of the year. You will attract good circumstances and people to you. Make the most of this!

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Use the next month to think about what you want your new year (birthday to birthday) to be all about. You have a month to make plans for this.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
You can expect a popular month ahead because of the shift of the Sun. Enjoy schmoozing with others. Join classes, clubs, groups and associations.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
The Sun will be at the top of your chart, acting like a flattering spotlight on you for the next month. Make hay while the Sun shines!

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Grab every chance to travel or expand your world in the next four weeks. If you can't travel, be a tourist in your own city. Study something new!

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
The shift of the Sun ushers in a month ahead where you will focus on inheritances and shared property. It's time for you to clear up loose ends and reduce your debt.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Because the Sun will be opposite your sign for the next four weeks, you will need more rest than usual. Acknowledge and respect your need for sleep.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Do what you can to get better organized in the next four weeks. You want to feel that you're on top of your game and that things are running smoothly.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Slip away on a vacation in the next four weeks, because you want to party and relax. Pack a bag and leave town! Fun and pleasure are the names of the game.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Home, family and your private life will be increasingly important in the next four weeks. An interaction with a parent could be significant.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
The pace of your days will accelerate in the next four weeks, with short trips, errands and increased conversations with everyone. How exciting, you've got things to do!

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